## SOC 205 Week 1: Personal Reflection

Welcome to Sociology -- I would like to know more about you, your background and how you see your life fitting into overall society based on the knowledge and understanding you currently have of sociology. We will come back to this at the end of the term in order for you to expand on how you see yourself fitting into society after 10 weeks of sociology class. I believe reflecting on our own place within society and placing ourselves within the broader context helps us broaden our sociological imagination and connect these topics more thoroughly to our lives.

Due by midnight on Sunday of Week 1.

Points: 2

Submitting a text entry box or a file upload

## Purpose

I want to know who you are as I learn from each of my students. This assignment allows me to get to know you and also allows us to gauge your broadening horizons over the term, as there will be similar questions on the final reflection essay.

## **Tasks**

Please download a copy or make your own Google document copy to answer the following questions. Please use whole sentences with a legible font.

- 1. What is your preferred name? Example: My name is Sonya James (she/her/hers)
- 2. Why are you taking this course?
- 3. Is there anything you wish your instructor to know about you?
- 4. What is one goal you have for this course?
- 5. This week we read in chapter one about social change and the author asks us to consider what does social change mean to you and your community according to the history, cultural perspectives, and environmental circumstances you have experienced? Please write a 300-word minimum response to that question. This is a free write, please don't pull anything from the book or do any research, I want authentic, off-the-cuff responses.
- 6. Choose a quote you found intriguing from the textbook (chapter 1). Write that quote here. Write a minimum of a paragraph (200-300 words) interpreting the quote and explain why you chose this one?

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7. Submit your document or the link to your Google document.

## **Criteria for Success**

You will receive full points for this assignment if you answer the questions. This is an opportunity to learn about you and I will also answer some of these questions in our introduction video so you can get to know me. Your responses will be kept confidential.

Rubric for Personal Reflection/	
Stated goal/.5	
Authentic and reflective response regarding social change's meaning	/1